ARLINGTON HALL STATION, BUILDING 314
4000 Arlington Boulevard
Arlington
Arlington County
Virginia

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Location:

Located in the southeast quadrant of Arlington Hall Station at the southwest corner of First Street and C Streets. Arlington Hall Station is located at 4000 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, Arlington County, Virginia.

Significance:

Constructed in 1942 as enlisted men's barracks, Building 314 was part of the initial building campaign undertaken by the U.S. Army at Arlington Hall Station, formerly Arlington Hall Junior College (1927-1942). It is associated with the nationally significant development of Arlington Hall Station as the headquarters of United States Army intelligence activities during World War II. (For overview of Arlington Hall Station, see HABS No. VA-1270).

Description:

Building 314 is a single-story wood building measuring approximately 100 feet by 25 feet with a 30-foot by 30-foot addition to the southwest, creating a "T." Raised concrete piers are concealed by skirting at the main block, while the addition rests on a concrete foundation. The building is sheathed in wide painted clapboards with vertical wood corner boards.

Window openings are rectangular with one-over-one wood awning sash. The northwest facade contains the principal entry, which is entered from a raised wood stoop and has a four-light three-panel wood door. Other entries no longer retain their multilight doors. The interior is irregular in plan.

History:

Building 314 was constructed in 1942 as an enlisted men's barracks. Subsequently the building served as an education center. It continued in this use until it was recently vacated. The building has undergone general maintenance and repair since I944.

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